BOWSER ON BUMPS.

THE OLD MAN TAKES A TURN AT PHRENOLOGY.

Had a Good Time Explaining the Theory of the Science to His Wife, but Tripped Up on the Practical Part of It.

[Copyright, 1900, by C. B. Lewis.] Nothing but a faint smile around the corners of his mouth and a gurgling at intervals in his throat indicated to asked. Bowser during the dinner hour that Mr. Bowser had a surprise party in store for her. It was useless for her to guess what it was, and she therefore waited in patience till they had returned to the sitting room. Then Mr. Bowser produced a little book and looked it over for ten minutes before he said:

"You have heard of phrenology, of course? If I am not mistaken, old Professor Fowler once examined your

"Is that book about phrenology?" she quietly asked.

"It is. I am going to post myself | chair and became interested.

a bit. Today I felt the heads of three | "Now, then," began Mr. Boy different men in the office and told the character of each and every one." "I thought it was about time. I be-

ped the last new thing." "I expected vou'd say something mean," replied Mr. Bowser, but without his usual heat and without violence to the family cat rubbing against his leg. "If I'd have brought home a

the beard of my granufatuer, I'll do it

He walked out into the hall, clapped on his hat and opened the door and stepped out. There was a man hanging over a nearby gate. He wasn't a tramp, but a workingman who was sweet on a girl working next door, and was waiting for her to appear. Mr. Bowser called to him, and he came in off the street and asked what was

"Would you like to earn a couple of dollars in about 15 minutes?" was

"Have you ever beard of phrenol-

"If I have, I've forgotten. Is the gas leaking or a water pipe busted?" "Phrenology has to do with the down for a few minutes while I show a chair, lumbage caught me in the her that I'm right."

Mr. Bowser in and was referred to as kidney secretions were 100 frequent

lieve it's about a week since you dropinstruments and have a fairly good

tune on a mouth organ, and as for singing, everybody runs away when I try



pocket Bible or the gospel byrans it is an interesting study. Why as study it with me?"

"Because I don't believe in it. You might as well feel of the corps and religious. 'Are you a Sunday school bunions on a person's foot as the teacher?"

bumps on his head." "You'd sny that, of course, but I can soon convince you to the contrary. I'll feel of your bumps, and with the aid of this little book I'll read your character as straight as a string. Just sit

head. All the bumps are named."

Mrs. Bowser allowed herself to be

of impetuosity is abnormally developed. You are also very conceited. You one thing to another. You are quick

"But as it is, madam, I am very much obliged to you," said Mr. Bowser as he rose up and reached for the book. 'I might have known, of course, that you would siander me."

vaded her domains.

You have heard of phrenology?' he queried as he pointed to the book in

"Has the mistress any complaint to make of the cooking?" she asked in re-

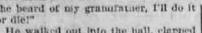
jects to them, let her give me notice."

shows obstinancy, and so on." "But isn't me cookin all right?" demanded the woman.

"I said it was." on me head, or me disposition?" "You don't understand yet," continued Mr. Bowser. "By feeling of the bumps on your head I can tell you"-"You'll never feel of me bumps while I'm alive!" interrupted the cook, "and if you am't out of this kitchen in two for many years.

jids I'll walk off and leave you with-Mr. Bowser retired. It was a ques Times Herald. tion whether he retired in good order or not. He realized that Mrs. Bowser had stood at the head of the stairs and overheard sll. and that he had made a muss of it. She had a smile on her face as he entered the sitting room, and that smile brought a determination to his heart to conquer or die.

You-you probably advise me to give it up, don't you?" he asked.



"Lord save you, sir," gasped the man, "but I never could even raise a

"I think you are inclined to be very

"The Red Hook Liar' all the same."

that is, don't you love children?"

"And are you not tender hearted-

"Well. I'm expecting to be arrested

tomorrow for lambasting a kid this

afternoon. Your henology, or what-

en believe in a hereafter!

who are up a chapter of

"YOU ARE ALSO VERY CONCERTED."

would have been just the same. Mr. Bowser flushed up and swallow Phrenology is a recognized acharge. It ed at the lump in his throat and dared not look at Mrs. Bowser. After a minute he continued:

"Great Scott, no! Religious? Why I don't "But you reverence truth," persisted Mr. Bowser as his face began to pale. Mebbe I do, sir, but they calls me

right where you are, and"-You'll do nothing of the kind," she interrupted. "It's all nonsense, and you'd better put in your time reading

"Then take the book and feel of my

ever you call it, don't seem to work. I guess your wife is right." persuaded. Selecting a chart of a "It never works unless there are man's head, she passed her fingers brains under the bumps," stiffly replied over Mr. Bowser's skull and presently Mr. Bowser as he handed the man his \$2 and accompanied him to the door. "According to phrenology, your bump

have no fixed purpose, but jump from tempered and very obstinate. If you had more strength of character, you might make a mark in the world, bur

"I gave it exactly as it is in the

"Well, let it go. If it was your intention to turn me from my purpose, you have failed. I shall continue to study the art. Perhaps the cook won't object to becoming a subject."

Mrs. Bowser smiled as he started for the kitchen, but raised no objections. The cook was just finishing her dinner dishes as Mr. Bowser in-

"Not that I know of. I was asking your mulicious desire to—to" you if you knew about phrenology. It relates to the bumps on your head, you

He gestured, but it did not stop ber. He towered over her, but she continued know." "And what of the bumps on me to laugh. He shouted something about head? Did the mistress ask about me his lawyer and her lawyer and divorce bumps when she hired me? If she ob- but she mang to her chair and laughed. There was but one way to save his dig-"My good girl, you don't understand nity. Like a crowbar on legs he march-All of us have bumps on our heads, ed down the hell, and like a crowbar By feeling of the bumps one can tell with stip knees be mounted the stairs, a person's disposition. For instance, and two aours later she went to find one bump shows a sweet temper; and him asle-p and his bump of conceit all other shows self conceit, another flattened edt.

Lady Betty. In prerevolutionary days there was a woman public executioner in Vir-"Then who's to care about the bumps ginia. At that time death sentences were respited on condition that a criminal should perform this office. "Lady Betty," as she was afterward called, was sentenced to death for mur-She offered instead to become public executioner and held this office

> It is said that on the scaffold she officiated without a mask.-Chicago

MR. BOWSER CALLED TO HIM.

Mrs. Bowser and glared at her for

moment and then said:

When he returned, he stood before

"Woman, this thing has gone to the

Then Mrs. Bowser began to laugh.

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Toledo, O. "You might practice outside," she suggested.
"And so I will?" he retorted us the red came to his face. "I have to post myself on phrenology, at by the post myself on phrenology, at the post myself on phrenology at the post myself on phrenology at the post myself on phrenology.

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Wasn't that man your father?" asked one of the listeners. "Nope," was the answer. "He was me friend."-Brooklyn Engle,

ther, and she never caught on."

ARIZONA KICKLETS.

SOME NEWS ITEMS AND AN EDI-TORIAL POLICY.

Including a Few Remarks on the Stirring Events That Have Transpired Within the Past Twelve Months of the Paper's Existence.

(Copyright, 1900, by C. B. Lewis,) Major Bogardus selates that as be was returning from a trip to Lone Jack the other day he was pursued for over a mile by a large cinnamon bear and came near being overtaken. We don't believe the story.' We don't say right out that the major is a Har; but, if pinned down to it, we would make affidavit that he couldn't tell the truth for

The little affair in The Kicker office last Thursday has been grossly magnified by our esteemed contemporary. A long haired, long eared compositor from the east, to whom we had given a week's work, formed our seven printers into a union and got up a strike. We had never had one before and



BEAD FIRST IN A BARREL.

didn't know exactly bow to meet it, but finally took off our coat and sailed into the crowd. It was the medicine needed. We got a few thumps and bangs, but in the course of half an hour the strike was over, the union dissolved and the agitator taking a walk. We are for liberty, equality, high wages, shorter bours and all the rest of it, but the man who sets out to run our business has got to lick us first.

We were told on Tuesday that the physical and mental wreck whom we are obliged by courlesy to refer to as our esteemed contemporary had threatened again to shoot us on sight-being about the bundredth time in the last two years-but we were by no means prepared for his wonderful feat of Wednesday. He actually did stop us on Apache avenue and pull a gun. For some time we were in doubt whether he would shoot us or himself; but, finding that he was liable to accident, we picked him and his gun up and deposited them head first in a barrel in front of Skinner's grocery. The editor remained there, with his beels in the air, until some one extended a helping hand. We shall never draw a gun on our esteemed. We may jab at him with a toothpick, yell at him in low bass or barrel blm up, but his life is

The events of the past year as affecting us personally have kept us from feeling homesick. On New Year's day 1899, we had 13 occupants of our private graveyard, which is the only editorial cemetery in the world. During the year we were obliged to add two to the number. In both instances we hesitated and hung back until it became a matter of painful necessity. It is needless to add that we were fully exonerated by the coroner's jury and that we paid all funeral expenses. In the year we delivered 12 orations, five political speeches and seven lectures. Two attempts were made to assassinate us, and we were twice held up and robbed. Four different men shot at us in our sanctum without serious results, and we were the direct cause of five bad men feaving town for good. For a small town Givendam Guleh is a lively gin an editorial career cannot do better than to make his debut here. Each and every day brings its little incident or adventure, and every time a bullet perforates his hat or cuts a button from his clothes be finds himself incited to renewed efforts. We were laid up for a few days on two occasions by stray bullets and were obliged to crawfish on two or three more; but, on the whole, we had a good time and made a gain on the struggle for fame.

It is needless to say to our readers that the course of The Kicker for the coming year will be opward and unward. We shall make it even more redbot as a political organ. We shall probably advocate a war with Mexico and demand annexation of Canada. We shall have a "dark horse" of our own for the next presidency. We shall do our best to bust three or four trusts and speak many encouraging words to Sunday schools. Now and then, when tife stage breaks down or a flood carries away a bridge, we may get out of ink and paper and be obliged to issue a half sheet, but that half sheet will be a corker. We have always led in polities and shall continue to head the procession. We are a hustler from Sunday morning to Saturday night, and Uncle Sam may continue to depend upon us to bein boom North America up into the tree tops and keep up a yelling. No weekly newspaper in Americas will be more in evidence for the next 12 months, and in our most igsindating manner we would observe that now is the time to subscribe. We don't issue but one day in the week, while dailies come out seven times, but we give you more than your money's worth and never tangle you up on the political situation.

ON TO SIBERIA.

On the contrary, the treatment of these

prisoners has become even more rigorous

I than at any period lately, and they are

to Change In the Trentment of Prips oners in Russia. From the reports which are constantly being brought by travelers and others from Siberia and ther parts of the Russian empire there is no attempt being sinn empire there is no attempt being by any laundry in this town. Our made by the czar to live up to his promise by preventing the sending of further notch of perfection that has yet been made by the czar to live up to his prompolitical exiles to his Asiatic empire.

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months, and in the interim there is noth ing but starvation ahead for the exile who goes to his fate unprovided with The practice of branding those among these poor wretches who, according to the estimation of the capr's officials, are

formation usually

occupies about

the most dangerous is one of the most brutal and revelting that the mind can Men and women alike are subjected to this demoniacal punishment, which is accomplished by means of hot irons, the work being executed with an amount of

savagery not even met with today among

the hercest cannibal tribes. In the presence of his fellow criminals who have the same horrible ordeal await ing them, the shrinking victim is dragged forward and pinioned securely by brutal keepers and held tightly while the manip ulator of the harning iron proceeds to mark the degending brand upon his forehead. This is often done in the presence of other members of the family, and the distorted features of the autortunate the heartrending shricks of himself and athers combine to produce a scene which is so nauscating as to defy description. A traveler who has been present at one of these scenes of torture ever saw a more frightful instance of has barity even at the orgics of the devil

worshipers of the East Indies.
It has been given out that the use of the know as a trade of punishment has been ferbilded by the authorities, but that is one of the many specious pre-tenses with which the Russian govern ment seeks to impose upon the credulity of outraged humanity. The knout is da-much in use today as it ever was. Only a few days ago a penennt at Viethsk who had been driven from the district house because of being suspected of belonging to a heterodox religious sect was discov

ered by the price, who applied the knout so severely to his back that he expired from the effects of his beating.

An instance of this kind came to ligh at Poltava recently. A chibi pupil at one of the government schools was detected reading a book of fairy tales which i seems had been probablied by the censor who thought that some of the tales could be applied to Russian political conditions. When questioned as to where he got the book, he stared that it had been loaned to him by the caretaker of the chool. This information caised the great school reported the easetaker's action to the government, with the result that he took an early departine for Siberia. This did not end the trouble, for the school of-ficials demounced the principal's action as being mean and contemprible, and they were promptly attended to by the gov-ernment, being rebuked for their action by banishment from the province for three years. As this decree included all their relatives. 180 parsons in all were punished because a harmless lad was reen reading a harmless book of fairy tales which is read by children in almost

A chimney sweeper who employed a arne number of assistnats to keep the Vilina cleanneys clean was one day made the victim of a virgiol thrower, but was unable to tell who had done blin the in-It was simply assumed that the vitriol must have been thrown by one of the men working for him, as workmen are always vicious and dangerous. Con-

town were sent to Siberia excepting the

one who was injured. Scattment and Sease. He-You look good enough to ent. She-Do you think I am good enough Love is woman's whole existence, and,

naturally, she overlooks less bets in the

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